

# CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL.

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1.  
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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## THE PRESENT SITUATION.

### A Puzzle to the Minds of Eminent Men.

People Are Searching Prophecy, But in Many Cases Are Making Misapplications. More Time Should Be Given to Saving the Lost.

It is almost useless to say that the world is in one great turmoil. All who keep posted on the events of the day are apprized of this fact without repeating it here, but we call attention to this as a kind of introduction to what may follow.

Great nations are in war against each other. As nations they are doing the very thing that they forbid by their civil laws. Bloodshed and murder were forbidden by their laws and punishable by death or imprisonment, and the perpetrator was looked upon as a mean low down character, but now these same nations are engaged in a wholesale slaughter accounting human life as of no value, and the bloodshed has become an honor. If this is not villainous then we are without expression.

Boys and men snatched away from their homes and loved ones and rushed off to war and shot down by the thousands like cattle and hogs in the slaughter pens.

Homes are broken up never to be repaired; property destroyed by the ravages of war and people who were toiling pleasantly along a few weeks ago are reduced to poverty and starvation to-day.

Women and helpless little innocent children are nothing more than vagabonds on the earth.

Yesterday the nations of the earth were boasting of their high state of civilization, holding their peace conferences and planning to step right into a state of millennial peacefulness; to-day they are plunged beneath the surface of a crimson sea and bathing themselves in the blood of uncivilized barbarism. So-called christian nations have lost their identity as such and fallen into their own snares.

They are proving that their profession of christianity was

only a sham and the vilest grade of hypocrisy. They had just as well sail under their own banner (that of the antichrist) and never again disgrace the worthy name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by trying to hide under His name.

This is a time for Satan. Millions of souls are driven by the cruel war lash into the slaughter-pens of hell. This, however, is probably no worse in God's sight than the hypocritical absurdity of much so-called christianity that prevails in both North and South America as well as the other countries of the world. It is probably no worse after all than for the multitudes to be rocked to sleep by the pulpit masters that sing their lullaby's over their congregations every Sunday morning, and lead them to the vaudeville in the afternoon and tell them they can't live without sin, which is to say, they can serve the devil all the week. Then when they come to their dying hour and their sun is setting they are persuaded to believe they are going to be carried by the angels into the sweet haven of everlasting bliss.

Taking every thing into consideration the present situation is a puzzle to the minds of eminent men. Many are finding satisfaction in studying prophecy and applying it to the present situation, but as they are so far apart in their ideas and applications it proves that they are making misapplications and that they are without divine wisdom and inspiration after all.

People have become so wise in their own conceit that they do not know that God has hidden these things from the wise and prudent, and they are only groping around in darkness while they

are boasting of their findings.

Many people who are now making a great display as Bible scholars would show more godly wisdom to sit down with their hands over their mouths and act like fools till they get a real revelation from God and a head and heart full of godly wisdom and understanding. "Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise." (1Cor. 3:18.) "Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things." (2Tim. 2:7.)

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not to thine own understanding." (Prov. 3:5.) "Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord and depart from evil." (Prov. 3:7.)

It is dangerous to accept a man's teachings who himself has not departed from evil and placed himself in an attitude toward God that He can instruct and inspire him and reveal to him the things that are hidden from the natural man. Paul declares that "the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned." (1Cor. 2:4.) When God hides a thing from a man he can't find it, no matter how much he may search, unless he meets the conditions that are required. It would be better in the end for many of these wiseacres to leave their watchtowers of self importance and take a quiet walk down the slopes of humiliation and meet the Lord Jesus and obtain from Him a good case of salvation and receive the Holy Ghost, then they could be fit for service in leading others to Christ.

While the multitudes of "up-to-date" people are studying the war problems and engaged in the political strife incident more or less to all nations and have their minds wrought up to a high pitch and inflated with patriotic (?) zeal from reading the newspaper reports, is a good time for us to humble ourselves a little lower and go among the common people and work for the salvation of their souls. We believe it a timely thing to say that more time should be given to saving the lost. Let us buckle

on the armor a little tighter and go into the soul-saving business with more zeal, courage and determination than ever before. We need to work with such furiousness to pull men's souls out of the fire that people will look on us with amazement and wonder what strategy we are going to use next.

Now is our time to strike the fatal blow to false religion and hypocritical christianity, by simply preaching the plain gospel and testifying to its effect upon the human heart and life. Don't strive, don't argue or dispute, don't vilify, but with a shipload of love for souls, tell them if they sin they are sinners, and if they do not repent they will perish. Be firm and gentle at the same time. Cry aloud, and spare not. Give sin no quarters where ever it may be found. Hate sin with a perfect hatred, but love the sinner and pull him out of the fire hating the very garments that are spotted by the flesh.

I think of a tornado as it rolls and hovers close to the ground moving everything in its track. Trees are twisted off and uprooted. Buildings are torn to pieces and hurled hither and thither. Rocks are rent and sent rolling down the steep slopes. I think of the great avalanche that sweeps everything before it as it moves slowly down the mountain and finally pushes off into the sea and becomes a mighty iceberg that crushes a Titanic and sends it to the bottom of the sea. I think of the war on land and on sea; up in the air and down in the deep. All these things, and more, move on with tremendous fury to accomplish their end, but we, as God's people, should not allow any thing to surpass us in intensity of purpose to save a lost soul. We should become even more furious against sin and make it appear exceeding sinful.

Make it appear more dangerous than fire, water, storms earthquakes, war, famine, pestilence, lions, tigers, murderers and everything else.

God help us to make it look so scary, ugly, and dreadful, that everybody will want to run from it.

Now is the time for the Church of God to make a record in soul saving. There never was a better time for it. God is speak-

ing long and loud to the unsaved and lukewarm professors. Now while He is striking the fatal blow is our time by His help, to reap a great harvest of souls. There is no doubt but we have His approval. Ais signs of approval are following us. "God working with them" was the secret of success in apostolic days. The same will be the secret of our success. Work every place and every way we can while God is working with us confirming the Word with signs following.

Preach, pray, sing the songs of Zion, testify, hand out tracts, give out the Evangel and get subscribers, hold prayer meetings anywhere and everywhere there is opportunity, make personal calls not for common visiting, but for the salvation of souls.

Get people converted. Get them sanctified. Get them filled with the Holy Ghost and become a flame of fire to help shine away the darkness of sin. Get them healed if they are sick. Get them to pay tithes of their income for their own benefit and to use in spreading the glorious gospel to the utmost parts of the earth. Get them saved through and through, all over inside and out and made ready for the coming of Jesus, for we are surely living now in the time of the end. Hurry! Hurry! Everybody, Hurry!

For the time is short and millions are dropping into hell. Help! Help! Let's all work together for one purpose—the salvation of the lost.

Fosters Falls, Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I am a little 10-year old girl. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I want all of the dear saints to pray for me that I may get stronger and do God's will.

Not long ago I had a vision. I saw the Lord standing holding out His hands just ready to come and then I saw Him dancing. I saw my two little brothers, one had a golden harp and he was playing and dancing.

He was playing the sweetest music I ever heard. My other brother was dancing and had an apple in his hand. Your sister under the blood,

Annie Barney.



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## EDITORIAL NOTES

Some have lost the address of sister Barney whose husband is in prison for the Word of God. We give it again in full. Mrs. Maud Barney, Fosters Falls, Va.

Sister Mattie Perry of Elhanan N. C. dropped in on us February 26 and remained over Sunday. Her ministry was very pleasant and profitable. It is quite an inspiration to hear her tell her experience and life of trust and faith in God. She expects to go to Cuba in a few days to take one of her girl students to start her in missionary work there.

Time is speeding along and it is now time for you to make out your orders for Sunday school literature.

Next quarter is the time that the attendance generally increases, so you should remember this in making out your orders. It is also a good time to open up new schools.

It would be good for our people who live quite a distance from any church to start a Sunday school in your neighborhood and gather the children in and begin to teach them. This will open the way for a revival and probably lead to the establishment of a church. Try it.

In making your orders for Sunday school literature don't forget the S. S. Helper, a monthly S. S. paper. You should order it in quantities to one address and distribute at Sunday school. Try it at least one quarter and see how you like it. You get it at the rate of 60c per dozen for one quarter. Quite a number have already engaged from 12 to 50 copies each

month for a year in advance. Hope others will follow the example.

One brother in Tennessee has paid for over 100 subscriptions to be sent to his friends for one month. He is expecting to make it 500 before he stops. This is one way to get the gospel into the homes of your friends. Then even if they should not appreciate the kindness of your friendliness toward them, but no doubt many of them will, it will be marked up in your favor at the judgment showing that you did what you could for your friends.

It is acknowledged by many that the Evangel is becoming more interesting and helpful all the time. We feel very grateful because our friends are showing appreciation of the "White Winged Messenger." Some of our home people have suggested that a plan be arranged to put the little sheet in every home in this city a few times at least. All right we are ready to do our part if we can get a little financial aid to pay for the paper and ink.

Quite a sensation has been created in Parkersburg West Va. by the meeting that has been in progress there under the leadership of our brother Rumler for several weeks past. The news papers have commented freely about it and stated among other things, "But what is said to have created the greatest concern upon the part of the sober minded people of the town was the spread of the spiritual malady into the schools."

They acknowledge that "even not a few" of the people in the city who labored in railroad shops and other places were much affected as the results of the meeting. This is quite encouraging. Go on, brother Rumler, and keep spreading the fire.

Quite a number are much concerned about the tithes, which is a good indication, and say that the system is not fully understood. We receive questions on different points of the system to which we take pleasure in responding. We would suggest, however, that you be careful not to fall under bondage to the rigidity of the law of Moses on this question and thus lose the sweetness and blessedness there is in paying tithes. Remember the law is only a type, very helpful in giving instruction, but not to be taken as authority to us. Remember we are to follow Jesus who is a high priest after the order of Melchisedec

to whom was paid the first tithes of which we have any record. The matter will develop and become clearer to all as we walk in the light and follow our guide the Holy Ghost.

## Report From Parkersburg, W. Va.

I want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel. I am praising God because I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. Hallelujah! God is doing wonderful things here. Have just closed a seven-weeks' meeting. Have a church here with about fifty members, twenty-seven filled with the Holy Ghost. Glory! Glory! Help me shout!

The fire has been falling and the enemy is mad. He is trying to tear down and destroy God's children, but thank God, he can't do it. The little Church of God here has stirred this little city. Prominent men of the city have been in attendance—the city judge, United States judge, lawyers, and almost the whole city have been out to see us except the preachers—they are afraid to come.

The devil has been trying to have us put in jail, but thank God! He has stood by us. Bless His holy name!

One young man held his hands in the fire last night and never even singed them. Glory! A man fifty-two years of age had been blind in one eye for seven years. He came for prayer and we prayed and anointed him and God opened his eye. The people were stirred then. Glory, Hallelujah! These signs shall follow believers. Glory!

I want all the saints to pray much for me and the work in West Virginia. I am your little brother out on the battlefield for lost souls. Thank God for victory in my soul just now. Glory, Hallelujah! For the cleansing blood of Jesus.

Your little brother,  
W. M. Rumler.

## Fosters Falls, Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Greeting in Jesus name—I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, and I am determined to hold out. I belong to the great Church of God. I am fourteen years old. I want you all to pray for me that I may be a brave soldier for Christ. Pray for my dear papa that he may be delivered if it is the Lord's will.

Your brother in Christ,  
Robert Barney.

## Bahama, Islands.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Just got back from the Current. Found the church in good condition. When I left the membership was twelve.

They had dropped one, but while I was there another one came in so there are still twelve. I went to another place over there called "The Bluff." A crowd of saints went with me. We were there three days. One got the baptism; others were hungry.

While I was away from here (Nassau) between six and twelve children got the baptism. I was gone about three weeks.

The Lord is working wonderfully on the Islands. Revivals are breaking out without any preachers. The children are getting saved.

On one island three got the baptism and there was no preaching about the baptism.

One place on Abaco they say nearly every one there got saved and there was no preacher. They are white people. A colored man from Eleut Island stopped there a little while and they begged him to preach for them.

The harvest is white. Oh, for laborers! God bless you.  
Milton Padgett.

## Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:

I am praising God this morning for full and free salvation. Glory to His precious name. I cannot praise Him enough for what He has done for me. Hallelujah! I did not think there was so much in this but I find it all joy and peace. Glory to God. It means something to be holy. I have many dear people that are unsaved and I want you to pray for them.

Pray for me that I may ever be found at the foot of the cross.

Your sister under the blood,

Ellen Channell.

## Sweetwater, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Greetings in Jesus' name—I ask the prayers of the saints that my body may be healed and that I may receive the Holy Ghost. I am sanctified but I do not have the Comforter.

Please pray that the Lord will send us a pastor for I fear the flock will get scattered. We have had one good meeting here since brother Walker left.

Your sister in Jesus,  
Sarah Smith.

## Assembly Buildings.

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This week we report as follows:

Ernie Kerce, Ft. White, Fla. 2.00  
 Paschal Burrows, Buhl, Ala. 1.00  
 H. J. Skinner, Greer, Fla. .50  
 Lovie Drew, Alabama City, Ala. .50

Mrs. J. A. Moody, Welcome, Fla. 2 00

Still keep praying and believing. The amounts are small and increasing slowly, but it is sure if every body obeys the Spirit.

## Alabama City, Ala.

Dear Evangel Family:

Greetings in Jesus' name—I praise God for this wonderful salvation. I have just been reading our little paper and it is food for my soul. I love to read the rich testimonies. I can feel the fellowship of the dear saints as I read the Evangel.

Praise God for the Church of God. We are expecting our state overseer to be with us the fifth of March. We love brother Gentry. Wish he could come sooner and stay a few days. Brother Robinson is going to leave us and we will be without a pastor.

Hope the Lord will send us another. Pray for us. Love to all.

Your brother under the blood,

J. P. Cornutt.

## Soddy, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:

Greetings in Jesus' name—I want to tell my experience for the glory of God. I praise God for a deep settled peace in my soul that the world cannot disturb. Bless His dear name. I am saved sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire and belong to the real Church of God, the Church that Christ told Peter He would build and the gates of hell would not prevail against.

We had a wonderful saints meeting the other night. Fire was handled by several of the saints. My heart goes out in sympathy for brother and sister Barney. May the richest blessings of God rest upon them and may they be faithful, it won't be long you know because I'm looking for Jesus to come. Let me beg every one that reads this to be ready for the coming of Jesus.

Your sister under the blood,

Etter Hackney.

## Belmont, N. C.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am not one of "those" kind of people but God has shown me this gospel so plain that I want to be one of them and I want to ask all the members of the Church of God to pray for me that I



may become one very soon. There are a few of these people at this place.

We have prayer meeting every Saturday night and on Sunday evening at 3 o'clock.

When we started no one would come except "those old tongue people" as folks put it, but the light has been turned on a few more and now we have large crowds and I think God is doing some work here with His humble servants. I believe if we continue to work for Him that we, who are not filled with the Holy Ghost, will be filled and then we can preach the whole gospel to the unbelieving as you will find in 1 Cor. 14:22 that this doctrine was sent for a sign not to them that believe but to the unbelieving; so we can see that the right work of God will be run down and tramped under foot of ungodly men.

Let us hold up Jesus no matter what men may do to us. They may put us in jail and do all kind of evil against us but if we hold on to Jesus we will win a crown in the end. I will tell you, my dear friend, this crown will not be like our Savior wore down here on earth for we have our temptations while we stay here and try to work for Jesus in this old sinful world and when we get to heaven we will have peace with our Lord and sing praises to His most holy name and shout with the saints of our Lord. We will not know what pain is up there.

"I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel." Gal. 1:6.

"Do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ. But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man." Gal. 1:10 11.

"Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof; from such turn away." 11 Tim. 3:5.

Your brother in the works of Jesus,  
Box. 157. C. F. McCorn,

Pennock, Minn.

I am eighty-six years old. I was born again of God in time of a great revival in Norway 1849; got pentecost in February 1906. I get my food every day after a legal agreement my life time. I have no property or money.

I read six English pentecostal papers, but I have edification only of the Church of God Evangel, because it has preserved the simplicity that is in Christ, and contains

many testimonies from those who speak in tongues, shout and dance; and if I was present now I would do the same. I have spoken in tongues some every day for nine years, and have done it in meetings in Minneapolis, St. Paul, and in numerous cottages and farm houses.

L. Christofferson.

Bradentown, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Saints Scattered Abroad: Greetings in Jesus' name—

I praise the Lord because I am one of them. As I was reading the paper I found the piece about brother Barney.

The Lord put it on my heart to make up some money for sister Barney. I got on a wheel and rode eight miles to Cortez and heard brother Hadsock preach three good sermons, and the people gave me eleven dollars for brother Barney's family. I was very tired when I got back, but I received much consolation when I remembered that Jesus had gone this way before me.

The Bradentown folks made up nine dollars for the same purpose. So God will take care of His own children.

Arch Williams.

Parkersburg, W. Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the saints: Greetings in Jesus' precious name.—Glory. I feel it would be to the glory of God to write my testimony.

I thank God for saving and blessing me. He took all my bad habits away, glory. I have received the blessed Holy Ghost and am shouting the victory. My wife received the Holy Ghost a week after I did. Thank God. We have twenty-three here who have the Holy Ghost, and forty-one in the church. There are more seeking and the signs are following. One man, Mr. Burgis, received his sight in one eye. The sick are being healed. There are many hungry souls here. We ask an interest in all the prayers of the saints that we might press on to higher ground.

I am praising God for the true Church of God and for His wonder working power, praise His holy name. Pray that we will all be true to God.

Your humble brother, under the blood,  
H. G. Cole.

Bradentown, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and the Dear Saints of God Scattered Abroad: I praise God for the real keeping power that keeps me

every day, bless His name.

On December 27, 1913, the Lord baptized me with the blessed Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4. Brother Buckalew was conducting a meeting at that time in Bradentown, Fla. I thank Him for it today, it is still fresh on my mind the time God so sweetly saved me from all my sins. About one week later He sanctified me by His precious blood and I accepted Jesus as my Healer. Shortly afterward the enemy attacked my body with a disease which I had been afflicted with for eight years. Doctors had said that nothing but a cruel operation would save me. But, praise His dear name, I had Brother Buckalew and workers to pray with me and the Lord healed me just as the 5th chapter of James said, "And the prayer of faith shall save the sick and the Lord shall raise them up; glory to His name. How I love the name of Jesus. He has healed my companion of blood poison and our little eight-year old boy of typhoid fever and our six-year old boy of asthma and I truly know the blood can heal. We have had some tests along this line as well as others but I'm praising God for victory in my soul today and the way He blesses us along the way

I shouted when I was sanctified and my husband took baby and left for he thought I had disgraced myself but thank God, conviction seized his soul and he was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost two days after I received the sweet Comforter and we are walking hand in hand with God. We have four children, pray that God will give me grace and wisdom to raise them for Him, that they may be a blessing to this world and not a curse.

We are sending our renewal for the paper, it is food to my soul. It seems like I have missed several meals when we fail to get it. I love to read the dear testimonies and feel the sweet fellowship of the children of God in so many different places.

Pray that God will send some evangelist to Sharkey Co. Miss. I know of several people that are sanctified and hungry for the Holy Ghost there and haven't the light.

I pray that God will supply the needs of His ministers.

The sisters here are preparing to send a box to the Assembly.

Brother and sister Hadsock

have the work here. We have a Sunday school of about forty members. The Lord blesses our efforts in Sunday school.

I want to say about the first thing after divine healing, husband and I saw the light on tithes and we have been paying the Lord His tithes and offerings and He surely blesses us. I wish others could see it as plain as we do.

'Ere you left your room this morning,  
Did you think to pray?  
In the name of Christ, our Savior!  
Did you sue for loving favor,  
As a shield today?

When you met with great temptation,  
Did you think to pray?  
By His dying love and merit,  
Did you claim the Holy Spirit  
As your guide and stay?

When your heart was hurt and bleeding,  
Did you think to pray?  
Did you plead for grace, my brother,  
That you might forgive another  
Who had crossed your way?

When sore trials came upon you,  
Did you think to pray?  
When your soul was bound in sorrow  
Balm of Gilead did you borrow  
At the gates of day?

O, how praying rests the weary!  
Prayer will change the night to day,  
So, when life seems dark and dreary,  
Don't forget to pray.

Pray for me that I may be true to the end.  
Your sister in Christ,  
Mrs. Geo. T. Cook.

Fosters Falls, Va.

Dear Saints: Greeting in Jesus' name—I have been saved and sanctified and belong to the great Church of God. I want all the saints to pray for me that I may receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

I am a little girl ten years old. Papa and mamma have the baptism.

I am praising God for His love in my soul.

Your little sister in Christ,  
Ethel Crowder.

Fosters Falls, Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: Greetings in Jesus' name—I want to sound a note of praise for the Lord. I have been saved and added to the great Church of God. I want all the dear saints to pray for me that I may receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Dear brother Trim and wife have been here holding a meeting, six received the baptism and five were added to the Church of God. We are thankful to the Lord for our state overseer, the people in Virginia have learned to love them.

Your little sister in Christ,  
Zettie Crowder.

Buhl, Ala.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson and All the Saints:—

I am praising God for saving and sanctifying me and I

want all the dear readers to pray that I may receive the blessed Holy Ghost.

Bro. W. S. Gentry, our state overseer, was with us Jan. 27th and 28th. He sure did some good preaching. We were glad he came and hope he will come again. Our beloved pastor, Z. D. Simpson, came over to his regular conference last Saturday and Sunday and we had a good meeting. One received the baptism and three have received it since then. Where good seed is sown it will certainly sprout. Brother Simpson came with his broom in his hand and swept clean.

Brother Simpson has done a great deal of good at this place. Many had to be excluded from the Church for using tobacco but a true sheep will come bleating back.

Some have already returned looking for the fold. I trust that all will come back to the fold and shine for Jesus.

Pray for me.  
Your humble brother in Christ,  
J. A. McAlister,  
Church Clerk.

Kentwood, La.

To the Church of God Evangel: I am praising God for salvation through the blood of Jesus. He saved, sanctified and filled me with the precious Holy Ghost, glory to God. I am so thankful for the Comforter that the dear Savior said He would send when He went to the Father bless His dear name.

I have been in the right way for nearly three years and I love the true way and I regret that I did not find it sooner but thank the Lord, I am in the way and ready to meet Jesus.

I trust the Lord for soul and body. I can't express the joy I have in my soul that the Holy Ghost gives.

"The half has never been told." Bless His name, I wish everybody knew the joy it brings then there would be more in the right way on the way to glory to that beautiful city that Jesus has gone to prepare, bless His dear name.

May God bless all the dear saints is my prayer and I want all of you to pray for me that I may be true to God and the church.

Rosa Thomas.

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**Kentwood, La.**

I want to thank God for salvation through the precious blood of Jesus. Bless His dear name. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost. Glory to Jesus. I am a member of the Church of God at this place. I thank God for the way the Lord has blessed me. He sends His glory into my soul and makes me rejoice. Glory to God, He floods my soul with glory and I am happy in the service of my Lord. Oh, it is wonderful to know Him and be known of Him. I want to thank God for all the good things both spiritual and temporal, but that is just like Jesus. It is true we have many things to bear for His name sake but He tells in the Word that He will never leave nor forsake us, glory to His name. I am so glad I am in the way.

I thank God for sending brothers Payne and Richard to us, they sure did much good. Brother Payne gave out the Word so forcibly and explained it better than I have ever heard it before.

They had such power and influence over the sinners, they were not afraid. I truly thank God for men like them, Brother Richard is the best altar worker I ever saw, he has long patience with the seekers and never gets weary, may the Lord bless him in this great work. There were twelve received the Holy Ghost in their meeting and the last night, thirty-five were at the altar seeking the Lord.

Brothers Payne and Richard had more influence over my son, Luther, than anyone that has ever been here before. He was sick and the doctor said he had appendicitis so brother Richard prayed for him and was healed and he is well today but he is a sinner.

The Lord also sent us two other good preachers brothers McLain and Bryant. There were seven received the baptism. I thank God for them may the Lord bless them in the work of the Master and supply their needs.

Pray for me that I may be true and also pray for the unsaved ones of my home. Love to all the saints.

Your sister,  
Mrs. H. V. Hilburn.

**Tampa, Fla.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

How I enjoyed your article in the little paper on Sunday school work. I fully agree with you. I think it is one of the greatest works we can do to train the minds of the

children and so implant the truths in their little hearts that when they grow old they may not depart from them but they may grow and bring forth abundant harvest for the Master.

We have a good Sunday school and while we have not been in the work long the Lord has indeed done great things for us, whereof we are glad. Seven of our girls and one boy has the baptism of the Holy Ghost and others seeking.

Five of the seven are in my class, which is the one next to the Bible class.

I can see great things ahead if we only stay true, praise God. Our Church here just seems like home to me and when we all meet we are one big family and Jesus is in the midst, and oh, how He blesses us all. Praise His holy name. I have promised perfect obedience to my Savior and any where He leads, I'll follow. I feel that I am climbing a little higher every day and by and by I'll reach the top then "I'll see my Savior face to face and tell the story saved by grace."

Your sister in Christ,  
R.2. Mrs. E. W. Aman.

**Rowland, Tenn.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints Scattered Abroad:

I am praising God this morning for what He has done for me. I praise Him for saving and sanctifying my soul. Glory to His precious name. I want the prayers of God's children that I may be filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. I thank God for taking tobacco and snuff away from me. I commenced using tobacco when seven years old and used it until last August I heard brother Payne preach sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost and began praying to God to show me into the light, and praise His name, He sure did.

I asked Him if it was wrong for me to chew tobacco to tell me and I would sure lay it aside and one night at the altar in brother Payne's meeting He let me know that it was wrong and, praise His holy name, I haven't chewed any since then.

Before that time when the good people would shame me and try to get me to quit it I would get mad but when God said "quit it" I layed it aside.

I wish everybody could see this as I do. I have had many temptations trying to get me back in the would but I promised God if He would sanctify me I would never, no never, turn back and by His help I don't intend to go

back. Please pray for me that I may receive the blessed Holy Ghost and stay humble.

Your sister in Christ,  
Martha Driver.

**Decatur, Miss.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

After reading the little paper through, I feel like writing its columns and telling the saints how well I enjoy reading it. I am living in a place where holiness has never been preached, but I hope there will be a band here before long. This is a tough place but people that try to live right will fall in rough places. I do not have the baptism but it is settled with me that this is the way and I ask the saints that read this to pray for me and my four motherless children which are with my father and mother near Tyffe, Ala.

I am being persecuted and all manner of falsehoods are being told on me but I am getting to where I can laugh at that. If any of the saints feel led to come to this place there is a welcome waiting at my home and I will do my best to make them feel at home.

I enjoyed reading brother M. S. Lemons' piece in the last issue of the Evangel, while the paper is full of good and true things but his piece made me feel sad for brother Barney and his family. I am in a financial strait just now but hope in the near future to be in shape to help the cause.

I am commencing now to get ready to come to the Assembly this fall and will come if it is the Lord's will. I think I am the only one in this neighborhood that takes the Evangel but I read it to some of them. I ask the prayers of all the saints.

L. W. Miller.

**Sweetwater, Tenn.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Greetings in Jesus' name—I am still sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and have the evidence of speaking in other tongues. We had an awfully good meeting not long ago, the power fell on nearly every saint. Some handled the hot lamp globe and sister Ida Earwood sit down on the hot stove and her clothes were not even scorched and she hugged the hot stove pipe with out being burned. Oh, it was a glorious meeting.

We do not have a pastor at the Hiwassee church and we are praying God to send us one. Please pray for us.

Your sister in Christ,  
Tiney Earwood.

**Helicon, Ala.**

Dear Evangel Family:

Greeting in Jesus name—I want to praise God for the little paper, it is real food to my soul and gives me new courage and a greater determination to be true to read it.

I have been a member of the dear old Church of God nearly five years and I love it better than ever before, praise God. I am glad my lot has been cast among people that want to do God's will at any cost. The time has come when there is more need in "walking" salvation than talking it for the world is watching every step we make. I am glad that "Christ also suffered for us leaving us an example that ye should follow His steps." (1 Peter 2:21.) When we stay right in His blessed foot prints the world is going to see Him shining in our lives. How I do want to stay true so I can hear it said, "Well done, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." (Matt. 25:21.)

Pray for me that my life may be a light to this lost and dying world. Your sister under the blood,

Reedy Campbell.

**Quitman, Ga.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Saints Everywhere:

I want to praise God for so wonderfully healing me of what I suppose was la-grippe. I had been very sick four days. I had such aches and pains that I could hardly be still. I was praying all the while but I did not seem to get much relief. I called for our pastor, brother J. O. Sauls, and other saints of this place to come and pray the "prayer of faith," and before they had finished praying I did not have a pain in my body. Glory be to God! My head still hurt me some but was perfectly easy next morning. Praise God forever. I want the prayers of all the saints that I may be faithful and that I may be baptized with the blessed Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues.

I am your brother under the blood,

J. T. Hughes.

**Perry, Fla.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:

Greeting—I am praising God for a salvation that keeps both soul and body. Hallelujah, Jesus saved me. Well, praise God for His wonder-

ful power and signs which He is showing through His children. I want to tell how the children of God are handling fire in this place.

Several of the saints were gathered together at brother Thomas' Sunday night, sitting around the fire talking about the signs and the power fell, saints began taking up red hot coals of fire and the blaze also without any hurt.

Praise God, I feel like Jesus is coming soon.

Your brother in Christ,  
W. A. Sullivan.

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